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6 **UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
7 **EASTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON**  
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10 ZAYN AL-ABIDIN MUHAMMAD HUSAYN  
11 also known as ABU ZUBAYDAH  
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13 Plaintiff,

Case No. 2:23-cv-00270-TOR

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15 vs.

16 **MOTION TO EXPEDITE**

17 JAMES MITCHELL and JOHN  
18 “BRUCE” JESSEN  
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January 16, 2024  
Without Oral Argument

20 Defendants.  
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1 Plaintiff moves this Court to rule on Plaintiff's Motion to Strike (ECF No. 31)  
2 on an expedited basis. *See* Local Rule 7(i)(2)(C).

3 Good cause exists because expediting the Motion to Strike would prevent it  
4 from becoming moot. Defendants' Reply in support of their Motion to Dismiss is  
5 currently due February 5, 2024 (ECF No. 26). Plaintiff's Motion to Strike, which  
6 addresses the page limit in that Reply, is also currently scheduled to be resolved on  
7 February 5, 2024, which was the earliest possible date absent a motion to expedite.  
8 An expedited ruling is necessary because the relief requested in the motion to strike  
9 would become moot if not resolved before Defendants' Reply is due.

10 Plaintiff requests a hearing by January 22, 2024, which would resolve the  
11 Motion to Strike two weeks before Defendants' Reply would be due. Under that  
12 schedule, Defendants' opposition to the Motion to Strike would remain due on  
13 January 19, 2024.

14 Defendants do not oppose this motion to expedite.  
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1 Dated: January 9, 2024

2 Respectfully submitted,

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